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Applicant : N. B. Anker, et al.

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For : Treatment of Neuropathic Pain with 6H-Pyrrolo[3,4-d] pyridazine Compounds

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action dated February 6, 2008 setting forth shortened statutory period for response ending March 21, 2008. Reconsideration of applicant's claims is requested. Any additional fees required in connection with this response may be taken from Merck Deposit account no. 13-2755. Please amend the application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 97 of this paper.

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